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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the non-final Office Action mailed from the Patent and Trademark Office on February 17, 2004. A request for a three-month extension of time and the appropriate fee based on small entity status are being filed concurrently with this document. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.